

**ABSTRACT**

**[0029]** A system and method for updating at least one deployment descriptor, comprising creating a first representation of the at least one deployment descriptor; creating a second representation of a second at least one deployment descriptor based on one or more source files; comparing the first representation with the second representation; updating the first representation based on the second representation if the first representation is out-of-date; and wherein the method can be invoked from an integrated development environment.